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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 430

By Buck

A RESOLUTION To commend Tracy LeeAnn Tipton for  
exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, Each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Tracy LeeAnn Tipton is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representatives Frank Buck, Chair; Kim McMillan, Vice Chair; Bobby Sands, Secretary; the other members of the House Judiciary Committee, and its astute and lovely staff, Pat Farmer, Dora Boyd and Suzanne Mitchell; Tracy's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Hailing from Jamestown, Tennessee, Tracy is the daughter of proud parents, Freddy Tipton and Deborah Tipton; she has two sisters, Amy Heddings and Joy Nix; and

WHEREAS, On May 11, 2001, Tracy graduated from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science; and

WHEREAS, Highly regarded by her peers, Tracy achieved academic success while also participating in numerous extracurricular activities; she was a valuable member of the Dean's

Student Advisory Council, the Golden Key National Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi, and the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and was active in College Mock Trial and intramural sports; and

WHEREAS, Tracy earned inclusion on the Dean's List for her last four semesters at UT-K and was selected as the Outstanding Senior in Political Science; and

WHEREAS, she also served with acumen and alacrity as an administrative aide and research assistant for the UT-K Political Science Department; a faculty member has described Tracy as "an unusually well-rounded, developed person of exceptional abilities" who is "intelligent, personable, reliable, optimistic, enthusiastic, polite, respectful, professional, supportive and fun to work with"; and

WHEREAS, Eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Tracy Tipton brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2001 session of the One Hundred Second General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Tracy has found her intern experience to be most rewarding, and this exceptional young lady has excelled in each of her appointed duties; and

WHEREAS, Her fellow interns expressed their supreme confidence in Tracy by electing her Governor of the 2001 Legislative Intern Class; they also voted her "Most Likely To Run For Office"; and

WHEREAS, Tracy demonstrated her singular athletic talents as a star player in the Intern-Legislator Basketball Game, from which the interns emerged triumphant, thanks in part, to Tracy's inspired play; and

WHEREAS, Tracy was fortunate to attend the Mule Day festivities in Columbia, Tennessee with friends and had a wonderful time, especially with reference to "tennis courts," "Hugh," and "florist fryars"; and

WHEREAS, Tracy's "one-in-a-million winning personality" has enabled her to make many good friends during her tenure in the Legislative Plaza; her special intern friends are

Marta Anderson, Brooke Hocker, Wade Jenkins, Kevin Latta, Eric Manis, Mark Bush and Patrick Boggs; and

WHEREAS, Tracy will always treasure the few memories she has retained of her Girls' Night Out at the Bound'ry with Suzanne and Dora; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the 2001 legislative session, Tracy has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Tracy Tipton has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Tracy LeeAnn Tipton for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the House Judiciary Committee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.